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SUBJECT: RUSSIAN INDIVIDUAL'S EFFORTS TO BROKER SALE OF
UAV'S TO SYRIA (S)

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Classified By: Deputy Minister-Counselor for Political Affairs Colin Cl
eary. Reasons 1.4 (B/D).

1. (S) On March 9, we discussed reftel information with
Sergey Petlyakov, Director of the Foreign Ministry's Arms
Technology and Transfer Policy Section in the Department for
Disarmament and Security Affairs. Petlyakov said he was
unaware of any arms broker named Arkadiy Vinogradov or
efforts to broker a deal with Syria on armed or unarmed
versions of unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs). He took on
board our points that such a transaction could result in the
imposition of sanctions against any of the entities involved.
Petlyakov said he would raise the issue within the GOR
interagency community and get back to us if any substantive
information developed.

2. (S) We had previously shared reftel information March 6
with MFA North America Department Deputy Director Oleg
Burmistrov. Burmistrov requested any further identification
the US could provide on Vinogradov. This would include any
additional personal data, such as date and place of birth, as
well as any information on Vinogradov's affiliations, such as
what Russian entities he might represent.

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